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MEMORANDUM

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR &
CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Sabrina B. Landreth

SUBJECT: City Administrator's Weekly Report

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INFORMATION

Following are the key activities to be highlighted this week:

Upcoming City of Oakland Job Announcements – During the week of July 22, the Human Resources Management Department (HRM) anticipates posting job announcement(s) for the following position(s):

- Real Property Asset Manager

For the most up-to-date information on City jobs, please view the Employment Information page on our website at <http://agency.governmentjobs.com/oaklandca/default.cfm>. The Employment Information page also contains information on minimum qualifications of specific job classifications, how to apply for a job on-line and how to submit a job interest card for positions not currently posted. For more information, please contact the Human Resources Management Receptionist at (510) 238-3112.

Free Downtown Walking Tours Offer Glimpse of Oakland's History – Through October, free 90-minute walking tours of downtown will be offered every Wednesday and Saturday. Eight different tour itineraries let residents and visitors glimpse both today's happening scene and landmarks from Oakland's past by showcasing the city's changing skyline, landmarks, churches and high-rises. Each tour, led by a volunteer guide, begins at 10:00 a.m. from various starting locations depending on the itinerary. The six-month-long Oakland Tours season ensures ample opportunity to take in each of the eight tour itineraries. Reservations are recommended by leaving a message on the Tours' 24-hour hotline at (510) 238-3234 or via email to aallen@oaklandca.gov. The tour brochure, itinerary descriptions, dates and starting locations are available at www.oaklandca.gov/walkingtours. [Read the media release](#). For more information, please contact Annalee Allen, Tours Coordinator, at aallen@oaklandca.gov or (510) 238-3234.

Oakland Municipal Band 2019 Season – The Oakland Municipal Band celebrates 108 seasons of free concerts! Bring a blanket and picnic to enjoy one of the upcoming concerts lead by Conductor

R. Anderson Collinsworth. On July 28, arrive early for a special event celebrating the return of the Green Monster art installation.

July 21, 28, and August 4 | 1pm – 3pm | Edoff Memorial Bandstand, Lakeside Park (Lake Merritt)

City's Cultural Strategists Pilot Program Seeks to Advance Equity, Transform Government – Last week, the Cultural Affairs Division in the Economic & Workforce Development Department convened the inaugural cohort of Cultural Strategists-in-Government (CSIG) pilot program. Seven individuals, rooted in the realm of culture, artmaking and aesthetic practices of Oakland's various communities, will bring new perspectives and skills to five City departments over the next year. Their engagement will help infuse City practices with new creative and culturally-competent thinking and problem-solving to promote civic belonging and well-being. Cultural Strategists-in-Government are thought partners who understand that sharing their cultural knowledge is a way of serving their community and the greater community of Oakland. To learn more about the individual strategists and their projects, please [read the media release](#). Thank you to the City Departments that have partnered with us in the pilot program: Department of Race & Equity, Planning & Building Department, Department of Transportation, Human Services Department and Mayor's Office on Housing Security. The CSIG program is one of two pilot initiatives launched as first implementation steps of "[Belonging in Oakland: A Cultural Development Plan](#)" that was adopted by City Council in July 2018. The other pilot initiative, [Neighborhood Voices grant program](#), resulted in the award of \$80,000 in grants to eight Oakland-based nonprofit organizations to lift up seldom-heard voices in our neighborhoods by supporting the expression, recognition and understanding of the array of diverse communities that make our city unique, vibrant and resilient. For more information, please contact Roberto Bedoya, Cultural Affairs Manager, at rbedoya@oaklandca.gov.

Art & Soul 2019! – Join in Oakland's coolest festival, Art + Soul Oakland returning July 27 + 28. A symbol of downtown's renaissance, Art + Soul Oakland celebrates 19 years of providing great entertainment that sizzles with two music-packed days featuring R&B, Blues, Gospel and Rock performed by national recording artists and top local emerging artists. This year's festival will continue the tradition of featuring dozens of hand crafted artisans along with an exotic selection of international food and wonderful children's activities.

For more information visit: <https://www.artandsouloakland.com/>

Kids Teach Tech – Saturday, July 20, join Kids Teach Tech at the Oakland Library, Main Branch for a morning of Python & Scratch Programming. For more information about the program, call (650) 265-7871, email info@kidsteachtech.com, or visit <https://kidsteachtech.com/>

July 20 | 10am -Introduction to Scratch Programming (ages 6+)
| 11am – Programming Basics with Python (ages 10 +)

Citywide workshop for the 2030 Equitable Climate Action Plan will be held at City Hall on July 31 – The City of Oakland is developing its 2030 Equitable Climate Action Plan (ECAP) to identify how Oaklanders and the City can work together to take critical actions to stop climate change and adapt to a changing climate. In October 2018, City Council adopted a Climate Emergency and Just Transition Resolution, calling for an urgent climate mobilization effort to reverse global warming, reduce greenhouse gas emissions as quickly as possible, and accelerate adaptation and resilience strategies in preparation for intensifying climate impacts. This includes actions that create good green jobs, reduce pollution, and help Oaklanders thrive. The ECAP is the tool that will make this happen. Come take part in shaping this important plan, to ensure that it reflects the needs and dreams of Oakland's diverse communities!

When: Wednesday, July 31, 6-8:30 pm (Dinner served at 5:30)

Where: City Hall – 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Hearing Room 4, in Downtown Oakland

Why: Climate change affects all of us. Let's work together to craft equitable climate actions for our city. Get involved to define the solutions we need to ensure the 2030 ECAP benefits existing Oakland residents with improved health, green jobs, and better neighborhoods!

- Food provided.
- Childcare provided by request. See link on Eventbrite page.
- Simultaneous interpretation services provided upon request. Please email shirshfield-gold@oaklandca.gov with your requested language and number of people attending by Tuesday, July 22.
- Wheelchair accessible event.

Visit www.oaklandca.gov/projects/2030ecap for more information and to RSVP.

2019 Friday Summer Nights – The Human Services Department's Oakland Unite division is hosting the *2019 Friday Summer Nights* program, in partnership with Hoover/Foster Resident Action Council, Friends of Hacienda Peralta Historical Park, and Roots Community Health Center, at three locations Oakland! *Friday Summer Nights* aims to change community norms around violence through community engagement, celebration, and empowerment. Join a location near you and enjoy a Friday night with the City this summer.

West Oakland:

Friday Night Live | Hoover Elementary School, 890 Brockhurst St. (at the corner of Market St.) | July 19, & 26 | 6pm - 8:30pm

Central Oakland:

Party at the Park | Peralta Hacienda Historical Park, 2465 34th Ave. | July 19, 26, & August 2 | 5pm - 8pm

East Oakland:

Peace in the Park | Willie Wilkins Park, 9700 C St. | July 19, & 26 | 5pm-8pm. August 3 (special Saturday event!) | Noon – 8pm

All events are free and open to community members of all ages. Events include free food, games, entertainment, and raffles! For questions and more information contact, Jennifer Argueta at Jargueta@oaklandca.gov or (510) 238-2056

OPRYD Town Camp – Oakland Parks, Recreation, and Youth Development (OPRYD) is thrilled to announce the return of **TOWN CAMP** and a **new partnership with The Curry Family Foundation**. At Town Camp, Oakland's youth learn leadership skills and develop self-confidence in a safe and inclusive environment. Each week of camp has an exciting theme including activities such as swimming, field trips, crafts, games, and cooking projects. Our "Reading is Fun" and "Math Power Hour" return as positive skills reinforcement. Town Camp is available weekly from June 10 to August 10. The August 5 camp week includes a special sleep - away trip to Feather River in Quincy, Calif. To register please visit <https://tinyurl.com/ybkwmrxh>

Town Camp Weekly Theme Schedule (to date):

Week 7: Arts – N – Expression, July 22 – 26: Campers explore their creativity through storytelling, dance, music, acting, painting, simple set-building, and costume design. Throughout the week campers discover how to turn their stories into working scripts, write dialogue, develop characters, and choreograph simple movements. Field Trip: Thursday July 25 Fox Theatre.

Week 8: Science, July 29 – Aug 2: Discover the scientist in you! Under the guidance of Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory staff, campers learn to work collaboratively to discover the world around them. This week's activities spark curiosity while serving as a powerful tool for modern scientific inquiry. Field Trip: Tuesday July 30 Chabot Space & Science Center.

Week 9 | Aug 4 – 7 OR Aug 7 – 10: Feather River Overnight

Have fun, make friends, & build confidence in the Plumas National Forest! Campers will enjoy a wide variety of activities nature hikes, swimming, arts & crafts, campfires, music, drama, camp talent show, star gazing, fishing and horseback trail ride. While at Feather River, campers will stay

in wooden cabins or rustic wooden platform canvas style tents nestled among the trees or overlook the Spanish Creek. All tents and cabins are furnished with cots or beds with a table, bench, and shelves for your convenience and sleep up to four. AGES 9-12 ONLY.

An Intimate Evening at Dunsmuir - On Saturday, August 3, 2019 Dunsmuir Hellman Historic Estate located at 2960 Peralta Oaks Court from 6 p.m. - 11 p.m., Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development's (OPRYD) An Intimate Evening will feature Tweet, Jarrod Lawson and many more. This event includes live music, fine cuisine & wine, carriage rides, a martini lounge, vintage cars, community recognition awards and more for only \$35 per person. The ultimate all white attire party and celebration demonstrates the essential role of OPRYD in the community. It is an opportunity for OPRYD to express our gratitude and appreciation to the community for support over the years in an intimate, relaxing and mutually enjoyable environment. Don't miss this enchanted evening!

For tickets and more information visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/an-intimate-evening-tickets-61235519086> or call (510) 615-5555

Celebrate National Parks and Recreation Month at the Lake Merritt Boating Center - On Saturday July 20 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Lake Merritt Boating Center will host a community open house to celebrate National Parks and Recreation Month. Sponsored by the California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways, guests will enjoy a FREE boat rental and information on boating safety. For more information, call 510-238-2196, visit www.sailoakland.com or e-mail Sarah Herbelin at sherbelin@oaklandca.gov

Social Inclusion Policy Fellowship Opportunity — From Monday July 22 to Friday August 2, 2019, [UC Berkeley's Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society](#), [Our Three Winners Foundation](#) and the [Islamophobia Research and Documentation Project](#) are offering the [Social Inclusion Policy Fellowship](#). This fellowship will engage policymakers to raise awareness about implicit biases and harmful stereotypes that influence the policymaking process. Fellows will be equipped with techniques to recognize biased policies, to correct them, and to prevent them. The goal is to see more equitable policies and government interventions through this initiative. For more information and to apply, visit: <https://ourthreewinners.org/607-2/social-inclusion-institute-fellowship-program/> (Deadline 6/30/2019).

Friends of the Golden Gate Branch Library Present Jazz on Sunday – On Sunday, July 21, from 3 to 6pm, the Golden Gate Branch Library (5606 San Pablo Ave.) resumes its Jazz on Sunday series. This week's featured performer is Mary Lou's Apartment, an all-female ensemble that honors the great Mary Lou Williams. Their performance will begin at 3pm, followed by a "History

of Jazz” discussion (from 4:30 to 5pm) and a youth group performance (starting 5pm). Admission is free, donations are welcome. The Jazz on Sunday series will continue every week through August 25. Co-sponsored by the City of Emeryville, the City of Oakland Cultural Affairs Division, and the Oakland Public Library. For information, contact Erin Sanders, Branch Manager, at esanders@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 597-5023.

Summer Reading, through August 3, at the Oakland Public Library - Start enjoying a summer's worth of events, activities, reading, and prize-winning for kids, teens, and adults at the library. Sign up online at www.oaklandlibrary.org/summer or drop by any Oakland Public Library location to register in person.

Kids are given incentives to read 20 days or more during the summer – they can become eligible to win a free book and other prizes. This year's grand prizes are a four-night stay for a family of four at Oakland Feather River Family Camp in summer 2020; one Family Membership to Children's Fairyland (for ages 0-4); and one iPad (for ages 5-14). All you have to do to qualify is read on at least 20 days (pre-readers can do other activities that promote learning).

Teens (ages 12–18) can register to enter the Teen Summer Passport Program. Throughout the summer you can collect points on your virtual passport for visiting museums, skate parks, attending library programs, volunteering for the library, writing reviews, and more!

Adults (over 18) can review books and movies or log activities for a chance to win a prize, including gift cards or vouchers to local restaurants and venues.

For a limited time, Summer Reading participants can come in to the library and show your Summer Reading registration to receive four vouchers for free tickets to a select Oakland A's home game. Adult, teen, and child grand prize winners will be announced after the Summer Reading Program concludes on August 4.

Details for all programs are available at www.oaklandlibrary.org/summer. For information, contact Nina Lindsay, Associate Director, at nlindsay@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-6706.

Author Irene Sardanis Discusses Her Memoir at Lakeview Library – On Saturday, July 20, at 12pm, author Irene Sardanis will appear at the Lakeview Branch Library (550 El Embarcadero) to read from her recent memoir, *Out of the Bronx*. Ms. Sardanis' book centers on her challenging relationship with her Greek immigrant mother. With the help of one woman she found a way out of the Bronx to freedom. Irene Sardanis is a retired psychologist born in New York to Greek immigrant parents. She has been published five times and currently resides in Oakland. Books will be available for purchase. For information, contact Xochitl Gavidia, Branch Manager, at xgavidia@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-7344.

Meet and Greet Reception Welcoming AAMLO's New Chief Curator Bamidele Agbasegbe Demerson – On Saturday, July 20, from 5 to 7pm, members of the community are invited to the African American Museum & Library at Oakland (AAMLO; 659 14th St.) for a meet and greet reception welcoming AAMLO's new Chief Curator Bamidele Agbasegbe Demerson. Let him know your thoughts regarding the growth of AAMLO. Learn about new initiatives now in progress. For information, contact Sean Dickerson, Library Assistant, at sdickerson@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 637-0200.

Melrose Library Offers Healthy Cooking Workshops for Young People – On Saturday, July 20, from 11am to 12:30pm, teens and tweens can come to the Melrose Branch Library (4805 Foothill Blvd.) to learn cooking skills and nutrition tips. We will be using vegetables and herbs from the Melrose Community Garden to discover easy ways to cook healthy snacks and meals independently or together with family. Advanced registration is required, and participants must be 12 or older. For information or to register contact Kate Hug, Branch Manager, at khug@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 535-5623.

Learn New Dancing Styles at the Main Library – On Saturday, July 20, from 2 to 3:30pm, SummerDance will resume at the Main Library (in the Bradley C. Walters Community Room; 125 14th St.). Dance instructors will lead group workshops and provide an opportunity to experience dance from diverse cultures and meet new neighbors. No experience is necessary! The July 20 program is Salsa with Juan. The July 27 program is a lesson in Cajun/Zydeco dancing with a live Cajun music trio. For information, contact Mana Tominaga, Supervising Librarian, at mtominaga@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-6611.

Kids Can Rock Out with Harry and the Potters at the Main Library – On Thursday, July 25, at 6:30pm, kids can come to the Main Library's Children's Room (125 14th St.) to see what it would be like if Harry Potter traded his quidditch broom for an electric guitar. If this magical potion of fantastical nerd rock sounds intriguing to you, then come rock out with us the Main Library. For information, contact Mahasin Abuwi Aleem, Librarian I, at malleem@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-3615.

Lakeview Library Presents Local Author Tim Jollymore – On Saturday, July 27, at 1pm, Oakland writer Tim Jollymore will read from his newest novel, *People You've Been Before*, at the Lakeview Branch Library (550 El Embarcadero). It is a fierce and shattering portrait of a couple's 40-year marriage and a journey to New York City from Minnesota by way of Oakland and Hollywood. Books will be available for purchase. For information, contact Xochitl Gavidia, Branch Manager, at xgavidia@oaklandlibrary.org or (510) 238-7344.

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Soft Story Retrofit Community Meeting – One or more major earthquakes are predicted to hit the Bay Area by 2045. Oakland has the highest probability of occurrence given the location of the Hayward Fault. To reduce the potential loss of life, maintain housing stock, and reduce property damage City Council adopted an ordinance requiring property owners to seismically strengthen vulnerable structures known as “soft story”. Property owners **and** tenants are encouraged to join the City's community informational session to learn about the program and necessary steps to be taken. The panel discussion and Q & A session includes staff from Planning & Building and Housing & Community Development Departments.

July 17 | 3:30pm – 5pm OR 6pm – 7:30pm | City Hall, Hearing Room 1, 1 Frank Ogawa Plaza

Register for Workshop #1: <https://ssretrofitworkshop1.eventbrite.com>

Register for Workshop #2: <https://ssretrofitworkshop2.eventbrite.com>

For more information about the program contact MandatorySoftStoryRetrofit@oaklandca.gov or (510)238-3344

FREE Women's Self-Defense Workshop – On July 20, the Oakland Police Department hosts a **free** self-defense workshop to help empower women of our community. Participants learn practical and proven ways to protect themselves including verbal judo tactics, pressure points, ground defense, and attacker escapes like wrist grabs, choke holds and bear hugs.

July 20 | Noon-3pm | Oakland Police Department Mat Room, 455 7th St., Oakland

To reserve your space contact Damon Gilbert at (510) 882-8379 or dgilbert@oaklandca.gov

Alameda County Regional Housing Survey 2019 – The City of Oakland is partnering with Alameda County and other regional agencies conducting the survey *Regional Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing*. Your voice counts – take a moment to fill out the survey here: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/housingsurvey_alameda2019.

For more information on the survey and upcoming workshops contact Greg Garrett at GGarrett@oaklandca.gov

Oakland Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Survey – Do you own a house in Oakland? Share your perspective in our survey and help shape the City of Oakland's programs and policies related to Accessory Dwelling Units - also called second units, granny flats, and in-law units. The City is looking to learn more about why Oakland homeowners do, and don't, build ADUs, who lives in them, and what the barriers are to more widespread ADU development. Survey-takers will have the chance to win a \$100 gift card to their choice of Farmer Joe's Marketplace, the New Parkway Theater, or tickets to the Oakland A's.

Fill out the survey at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/OaklandADU>

Free Workshop Helps Oakland Businesses Connect with Local Talent Pools to fill Vacant Positions – On Thursday, July 25, the City's Economic & Workforce Development Department (EWDD) will host a free workshop on attracting, training and retaining employees. The *Hidden Figures: The Power of the Untapped Talent Pool* workshop will be held in the Huey Newton & Bobby Seale Student Lounge at Merritt College, 12500 Campus Drive, from 8 to 11:15 a.m. The workshop will feature panelists who have successfully connected with untapped local talent, and taken advantage of the resources provided by the City and our partners to help employers attract, train and retain workers. Register for the free workshop at oaklandhiddentalent.eventbrite.com. The panels will be delivered in English with simultaneous ASL, Cantonese and Spanish interpretation. For more information, please read the [media release](#) or contact Tamara Walker, Program Analyst, at twalker@oaklandca.gov or (510) 238-3630.

Community Outreach for Construction Jobs – The City of Oakland is looking at new policies to provide Oakland residents with access to good paying construction jobs in Oakland and throughout the Bay Area. We need to hear directly from you about what success you have had – or not had- getting high-wage jobs in in Oakland, with benefits. Be part of the solution by joining us to answer questions and provide input as we move forward with creating new policies to help Oakland residents get and keep good paying construction jobs.

July 25 | 5:30pm – 7pm | Youth Uprising, 8711 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland, CA

Sidewalk Repair Permits: Summer Discount!— Many people don't know that according to state and local laws, property owners are responsible for the maintenance and repair of sidewalks on their property. And, if someone trips on your sidewalk and is injured, as a property owner you can be held liable and sued for damages.

To encourage more property owners to repair their sidewalks, the Department of Transportation has been authorized by City Council to **temporarily waive all sidewalk permit fees** through **September 30, 2019**. Visit <https://www.oaklandca.gov/sidewalks> to learn more about this summer discount and the sidewalk repair permitting process.

For more information, contact Sarah Fine at sfine@oaklandca.gov or the OakDOT Permit Counter at 510-238-3199.

Respectfully submitted,

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